S. No.	*District*	*No. of Projects*
28.	Sitapur	1
29.	Sultanpur	3
30.	Tehri Garhwal	1
31.	Unnao	1
32.	Varanasi	2
	Total	47

[*English*]

Provision of Metal Detectors

4030. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide metal detectors at sensitive places to protect Doordarshan and Akashvani;

(b) if so, by when;

(c) whether Security Guards of Akashvani and Doordarshan Kendras are likely to be provided with arms; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). Metal detectors have already been provided at sensitive Doordarshan and Akashvani Centres.

(c) No, Sir. There is no proposal to provide arms to the Security Guards of Akashvani and Doordarshan.

(d) Does not arise.

Plant load Factor

4031. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the plant load factor in the country has been declining for the last three years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the plant load factor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The Plant Load Factor (PLF) of Thermal Power Stations in the country during the last three years is as follows:-

Year	*Plant Load Factor (%)*
1988–89	55.0
1989–90	56.5
1990–91	53.8

During the current year, the Plant Load Factor upto February, 1992 has increased to 54.9%. The PLF of Thermal Power Stations depends upon various factors such as quality of coal, forced outage of units, system constrainsts and demand for power etc.

(c) Various measures being taken to improve the Plant Load Factor include Renovation and Modernisation of old units, assistance to Electricity Boards in undertaking Plant Betterment Programme, supply of requisite quantity and quality of coal etc.

[*Translation*]

Jal Dhara Jojana

4032. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON–CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the targets fixed for Gujarat under the Jal Dhara Yojana during the last two years;

(b) the targets achieved during the said period; and

(c) the details of provisions made for this State for the next year district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON–CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). The 'Jaldhara' Scheme was a one-time measure initiated by the Government in 1988–89, to provide pumpsets to marginal farmers in identified Draught Prone Areas of 13 States. Even though a target of 3,496 pumpsets was proposed under the scheme for Gujarat, the scheme was not taken up in the State and hence the achievement was nil. The scheme is no more in operation.

[*English*]

Tourist facilities in konkan Region

4033. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the facilities provided by the Government for tourists in Konkan region of Maharashtra; and

(b) the amount of central assistance provide for the development encouragement of tourism in Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI (MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Provision of tourist infrastructure facilities at any place is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, Central financial assistance is extended to the State Governments for specific projects dependent upon their merits, interse prioritiese and availability fo funds. For the year 1991–92, the State Government of Maharshtra have not forwarded any proposal for facilities in Konkan region.

(b) At the request of the State Government of Maharashtra, the schemes/projects amounting to Rs. 170.92 lakhs have been sanctioned for development of tourism in Maharashtra during 1991–92 (till date).

T.V. Transmission network in Jabalpur

4034. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state: